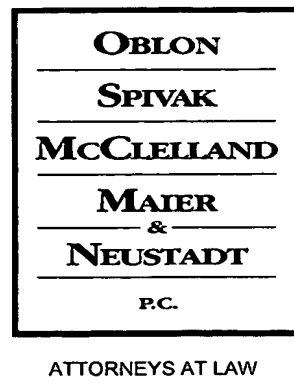




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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/681,279
Applicants: Guido SCHMITZ, et al.
Filing Date: October 9, 2003
For: COMPOSITE HAVING TWO OR MORE LAYERS,
INCLUDING AN EVOH LAYER
Group Art Unit: 1772
Examiner: Christopher P. Bruenjes

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Response to Restriction Requirement

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed January 24, 2005, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I: Claims 1-33, drawn to a layered composite article for examination.

REMARKS

The Examiner is requiring restriction of the above-identified application as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-33, drawn to a layered composite article;
Group II: Claim 34, drawn to a method of making a composite; and
Group III: Claims 35-36, drawn to a molding composition.

Applicants have elected with traverse, Group I: Claims 1-33, drawn to a layered composite article for examination.

Restriction is only proper if the claims of the restricted groups are independent or patentably distinct and there would be a serious burden placed on the examiner if restriction